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Applicants: Carlos Plata-Salaman
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DIABETES AND SYNDROME X
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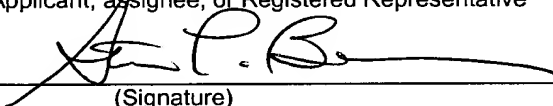
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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated March 21, 2003. Please
amend the above identified application as follows: